APEM. An thou hadst hated medlers sooner, thou should'st have loved thyself better now. What man didst thou ever know unthrift, that was beloved after his means ?

TIM. Who, without those means thou talkest of, didst thou ever know beloved ?

APEM. Myself.

TIM. I understand thee; thou hadst some means to keep a dog.

APEM. What things In the world canst thou nearest compare to thy flatterers ?

TIM. Women nearest; but men, men are the things themselves. What would'st thou do with the world, Apemantus, If it lay in thy power ?

APEM. Give it the beasts, to be rid of the men.

TIM. Would'st thou have thyself fall in the confusion of men, and remain a beast with the beasts ?

APEM. Ay, Timon.

TIM. A beastly ambition, which the gods grant thee to attain to ! If thou wert the lion, the fox would beguile thee : if thou wert the lamb, the fox would eat thee: if thou wert the fox, the lion would suspect thee, when, peradventure, thou wert accused by the ass: if thou wert the ass, thy dul-ness would torment thee ; and still thou livedst but as a breakfast to the wolf: if thou wert the wolf, thy greediness would afflict thee, and oft thou shouldst hazard thy life for thy dinner: wert thou

objection against hatred, which through the whole tenor of the conversation appears an argument for it. One would have expected him to have answered-r-

" *Yes,* for it looks like thee."

The old edition, which always gives the pronoun instead of the affirmative particle., has it—

" /, though it look like thee.'* Perhaps we should read:

" I *thought it looted* like thee."

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